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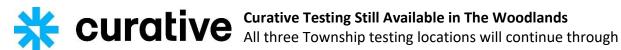


NEWS RELEASE

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The Woodlands Township COVID-19 Update, Tuesday, May 4, 2021

COVID-19 TESTING



May 31, 2021. Testing is free, and each location is open daily

from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. For more information about COVID-19 testing by Curative, please visit the Township website, or www.curative.com. The three locations are as follows.

- The Woodlands Township Town Hall, 2801 Technology Forest Blvd., The Woodlands, TX 77381.
- Rob Fleming Aquatic Center, 6535 Creekside Forest Drive, The Woodlands, TX 77389. Appointments are recommended for this location and can be made here. (Please note-This location will move from the Rob Fleming Aquatic Center to The Recreation Center at Rob Fleming Park, 6464 Creekside Forest Dr., The Woodlands, TX 77389, tomorrow, May 5, 2021.)
- Sterling Ridge Park and Ride, 8001 McBeth Way, The Woodlands, TX 77382.

VACCINE NEWS



Avoid Vaccine-Related Scams

Scammers are doubling down on their efforts to scam people out of their money and personal information. The FTC and the National Association of Attorneys General (NAAG) are teaming up to remind you: No matter what anyone tells you, you can't buy COVID-19 vaccines online and there's no out-of-pocket cost to get the shots. Here are some ways to avoid a vaccine-related scam:

- Ignore online ads, social media posts, or phone calls from people offering to sell you the COVID-19 vaccine.
- Don't pay to sign up for the vaccine.
- Don't pay out of pocket for a vaccine.
- Never share your personal, financial or health information with people you don't know.
- Contact a trusted source for information.
- Don't post your vaccination card to your social media account.

Read the full article

Vaccine Hubs and Waiting Lists

All adults are now eligible to receive a COVID-19 vaccine in Texas. Several COVID-19 vaccine hubs and vaccination sites are available around The Woodlands and Montgomery County. The Woodlands Township has compiled this information for residents to use in making their decisions regarding COVID-19 vaccines. In some cases, appointments are no longer necessary. Learn more.

Individual hospitals, physicians' offices and pharmacies may also have vaccines available. Please check their websites for additional information. You can find a list of providers and additional information on the <u>Department of State Health Services (DSHS) website</u>. Another helpful resource for locating vaccines is <u>www.vaccinefinder.org</u>.

Questions?

The Montgomery County Office of Homeland Security and Emergency Management offers call center hours Monday through Thursday from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. and Fridays from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. for Montgomery County residents, 65 years and older. Call 936-523-3916 during these hours to be assisted.

Harris County has established a hotline for their senior constituents through the HCP4 Encore Department. The HCP4 Encore staff is available as a resource to offer more information on the vaccination registration process from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, at 713-274-4050.



Vaccination Dashboard

Stay informed about the distribution and administration of the COVID-19 vaccine in Texas.

COVID-19 Texas Vaccination Data Dashboard

A dashboard is available through the Texas Department of State Health Services showing COVID-19 vaccination data in Texas. Currently about 47 percent of the Texas population has been vaccinated. <u>View the dashboard</u>.

COUNTY NEWS

They would like to encourage residents to take advantage of mass vaccinations happening now in our county.

Multiple providers, including St. Luke's and Lone Star Family Health Center, are offering first and second doses at Woodforest Stadium every day this week. If you have questions, please call the Montgomery County COVID-19 Call Center at 936-523-3916. The call center is available Monday through Thursday from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. or Friday from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

MCPHD has a limited number of appointments available for Thursday, May 6, 2021 at the Montgomery Community Center at FM 149 at College St. in Montgomery, Texas. Please go to mcphd-tx.org to register. First and second doses of the Moderna vaccine are available.

Other hospitals, physicians' offices, and pharmacies also have vaccines available for all adults. Please check their websites and Facebook pages for additional information. You can find a list of providers and additional information on the <u>DSHS website</u>.

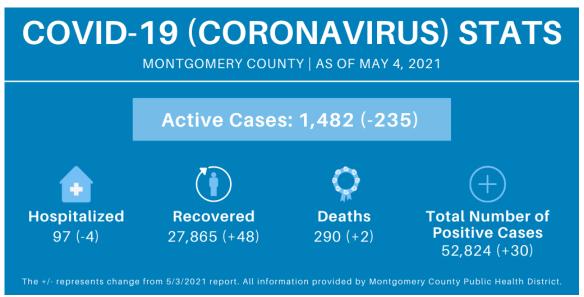
Today, they can confirm two additional deaths related to COVID-19.

- A man in his 80s, from Spring, died in the hospital. He had co-morbidities in addition to testing positive for COVID-19.
- A woman in her 80s, from Magnolia, died in the hospital. He had co-morbidities in addition to testing positive for COVID-19.

They can also confirm:

- TOTAL cases of COVID-19 increased by 30 to 52,824 since Monday's (5/3) report. All 30 new cases were tested since 4/22/2021.
- ACTIVE cases of COVID-19 decreased by 235 to 1,482 since Monday's (5/3) report. On Tuesdays and Fridays, they account for additional inactive cases who they have been unable to contact for 30 days or more. Today, they added 214 inactive cases.
- 97 county residents are known, as a result of contact investigations, to be in the hospital. Contact investigations have not been initiated on all reported cases.
- 27,865 people have clinically recovered.

The Testing Positivity Rate for Montgomery County remains at 8% for the 3rd week. This number is updated weekly on Wednesdays. Source: UT Health, School of Public Health. *These numbers include PCR and rapid antigen testing. They do not include antibody testing.



SETRAC data for regional hospitalizations was last updated 5/4/2021. <u>Updates can be found</u> here.

The COVID-19 dashboard for Montgomery County can be found here.

Do your part to slow the spread of COVID-19:

- · Get vaccinated.
- Avoid groups of people.
- Practice social distancing.
- Wear a mask in public (over your nose and mouth) or with others who live outside your household. Never share a mask with others.
- Teach children proper hygiene and the correct way to wear a mask.
- Wash your hands or use hand sanitizer frequently.
- Disinfect surfaces in your car and around your home.

Harris County COVID-19 Case Count

Harris County and the City of Houston launched a new data hub website, replacing their previous dashboard. The new website features information and data related to COVID-19 in Harris County, trends, metrics for success, zip code data and much more. Be sure to use an updated browser to view the site.

The Village of Creekside Park is located in two zip codes: 77375 and 77389, and these also include Magnolia, Augusta Pines/Auburn Lakes/West Rayford Road in northwest Harris County.

Today, Harris County is reporting zip code 77375 has 4,434 confirmed positive cases with 161 active cases, and 77389 has 2,513 confirmed positive cases with 96 active cases.



COVID-19 Case Count Brief from The Woodlands Fire Department All numbers since 4/27/2021

Montgomery County

52,824 – Confirmed +746 1,482 – Active -31 290 – Deaths +7 27,865 – Recovered +419 97 – Hospitalized -18

Harris County

202,779 - Confirmed +1,967 5,679 - Active Cases -89 1,635 - Deaths +46 195,446 - Recovered +2,010

Montgomery County Testing

Do you have questions regarding COVID-19 or COVID-19 testing? The Montgomery County COVID-19 Call Center's number is 936-523-3916. It is open Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Harris County Testing

Residents may also sign up for free COVID-19 testing online at hcphtx.org. Call 832-927-7575 for more information.

STATE NEWS

Governor, HHSC Announce Extension of Emergency SNAP Benefits

Governor Greg Abbott today announced that the Texas Health and Human Services Commission (HHSC) is providing approximately \$246 million in emergency Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) food benefits for the month of May as the state continues its response to the COVID-19 pandemic. Read the full press release.

RESOURCES

CDC COVID Data Tracker

CDC's home for COVID-19 data, the <u>COVID Data Tracker</u>, has many tools and features to find data to help protect yourself, your family and your community. Data sets are updated daily, and new features are added every week. <u>Search for data by county.</u>

Township's Coronavirus Page

The Woodlands Township's COVID-19 page can be found at https://www.thewoodlandstownship-tx.gov/covid19. This page features Montgomery and Harris County hubs, community resources and news from the Federal Government and the CDC. It also includes the latest news from the Township, partner agencies, important links, FAQs, live Twitter feeds and more.

Stay Connected with The Woodlands Township

Please stay connected to The Woodlands Township through our many communications channels. Learn more and sign up at https://www.thewoodlandstownship-tx.gov/stayinformed.



The Woodlands Township publishes this update to inform residents and businesses regarding COVID-19 and its impact on The Woodlands Township. Please sign up for Township news and notifications at www.thewoodlandstownship-tx.gov/notifyme. This newsletter is published weekly on Tuesdays, or as needed.